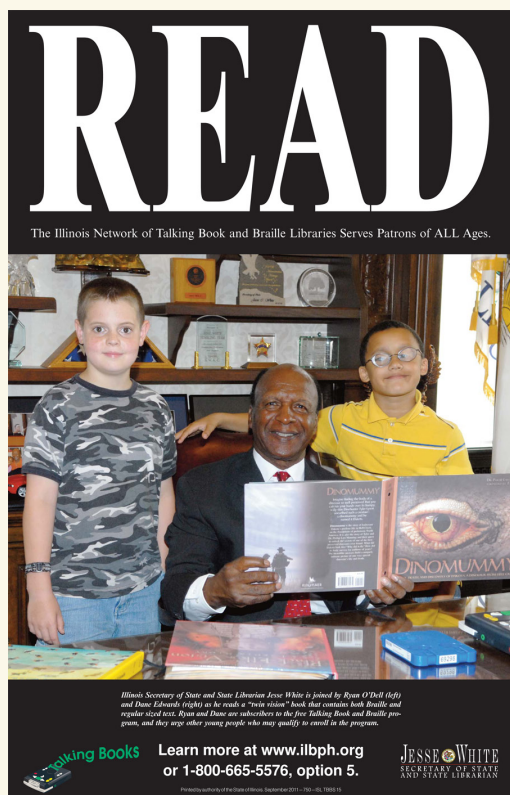


# National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped

## Best Practices from the Network: Spreading the Word About NLS

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County music legend **Ronnie Milsap**, who lost his eyesight as a child, recorded a sixty-second public service announcement for the **Tennessee Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped (LBPH)**. In the spot, which was distributed to radio stations throughout the state, Milsap talks about the new NLS digital talking-book players and the library's large selection of audio, braille, and large-print books. "I am happy to help the Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped," says Milsap, a longtime LBPH patron. "Reading is not only a great form of entertainment, but it also helps people stay connected to the rest of the world." You can listen to Milsap's PSA at <http://tnsos.org/Press/files/MilsapPSA.mp3>.



The **Illinois State Library Talking Book and Braille Service (TBBS)** has produced a poster promoting its youth services. It features Secretary of State and State Librarian Jesse White reading a print/braille book about dinosaurs with patrons Ryan O'Dell and Dane Edwards. According to **Sharon Ruda**, TBBS associate director, the poster will be distributed to public libraries throughout Illinois.

Also in Illinois, the **Naperville Public Library** placed a story about BARD, the Braille and Audio Reading Download, in the *Naperville Daily Herald*. "We really want people to see how easy the system is," **Vicki Ann Brodeur**, coordinator of the library's special services, says in the story. You can read the story at [www.dailyherald.com/article/20110810/submitted/110819943/#ixzz1ZGRUoRMk](http://www.dailyherald.com/article/20110810/submitted/110819943/#ixzz1ZGRUoRMk)

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